

CARR-208

JOHN HYDER HOUSE

Uniontown

c. 1811

private

CARR-208 John Hyder House
3400 Uniontown Road

At first glance, **3400 Uniontown Road** looks like it should be in tidewater Maryland instead of Uniontown. The one-story wings at each gable end of the house and, in particular, the steeply pitched roof of the east wing gives this house a colonial-style appearance. If you look closely, however, you can see that the main section of this house is not much different from its neighbor at 3364 Uniontown Road. Both have the same massing and proportions of their Flemish bond main facade with flat-arch lintels and four-pane transom over the entrance. The lot was sold by Earhart Cover to John Hyder, a surveyor, in 1811, and the original two-story section of the house was erected soon thereafter. The property remained in the Hyder family into the early twentieth century. In 1815, John Hyder was appointed Postmaster of Uniontown, an office that he held until 1848. He built the west wing onto the house for the Post Office. The brick east wing, which gives the structure its tidewater flavor, dates from a mid-twentieth century remodeling and replaces an earlier frame addition to the house. Miss Ella Beam, a Hyder descendant who edited the **Carroll Record** excerpts of Major McIlhenny's journal, lived in this house and ran a private school here.



DEPARTMENT OF PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT

225. N. Center Street
Westminster, Maryland 21157

WESTMINSTER PLANNING DISTRICT

FIELD SHEET--HISTORIC RESOURCES SURVEY

SURVEY NUMBER:

CARR-208

NEGATIVE FILE NUMBER:

UTM REFERENCES:

Zone/Easting/Northing

U.S.G.S. QUAD. MAP:

New Windsor

PRESENT FORMAL NAME:

ORIGINAL FORMAL NAME:

PRESENT USE: residence

ORIGINAL USE: residence + P.O.

ARCHITECT/ENGINEER:

BUILDER/CONTRACTOR:

PHYSICAL CONDITION OF STRUCTURE:

Excellent () Good (X)

Fair () Poor ()

THEME:

STYLE: vernacular

DATE BUILT:

c. 1811

COUNTY:

CARROLL

TOWN:

Unimtown

LOCATION:

3400 Unimtown Rd.

COMMON NAME:

JOHN HYDER HOUSE

FUNCTIONAL TYPE:

residence

OWNER:

Kenneth S Jones

ADDRESS:

3400 Unimtown Rd
Unimtown Md 21157

ACCESSIBILITY TO PUBLIC:

Yes ()

No (X)

Restricted ()

LEVEL OF SIGNIFICANCE:

Local ()

State ()

National ()

GENERAL DESCRIPTION:

Structural System

1. Foundation: Stone (X) Brick () Concrete () Concrete Block ()
 2. Wall Structure
 - A. Wood: Log () Post and Beam () Balloon ()
 - B. Wood Bearing Masonry: Brick (X) Stone () Concrete () Concrete Block ()
 - C. Iron () D. Steel () E. Other
 3. Wall Covering: Weatherboard () German Siding () Board and Batten ()
Wood Shingle () Shiplap () Novelty () Stucco () Sheet Metal ()
Aluminum () Asphalt Shingle () Brick Veneer () Stone Veneer ()
Bonding Pattern: Main - Flemish; Other - Common Other:
 4. Roof Structure
 - A. Truss: Wood (X) Iron () Steel () Concrete ()
 - B. Other:
 5. Roof Covering: Slate () Wood Shingle () Asphalt Shingle () Sheet Metal (X)
Built Up () Rolled () Tile () Other:
 6. Engineering Structure:
 7. Other:
- Appendages: Porches () Towers () Cupolas () Dormers () Chimneys () Sheds ()
Ells () Wings () Other: 2 additions
- Roof Style: Gable (X) Hip () Shed () Flat () Mansard () Gambrel () Jerkinhead ()
Saw Tooth () With Monitor () With Bellcast () With Parapet ()
With False Front () Other:

Number of Stories:

2

Number of Bays:

3 x 2

Approximate Dimensions:

Entrance Location:

side

THREAT TO STRUCTURE:

No Threat (X) Zoning () Roads ()

Development () Deterioration ()

Alteration () Other:

LOCAL ATTITUDES:

Positive (X) Negative ()

Mixed () Other:

ADDITIONAL ARCHITECTURAL OR STRUCTURAL DESCRIPTION:

The main section of the house depicts the regional vernacular.

The west wing has a shed roof and served as a Post Office in the mid-19th c.

The east wing dates from a mid-20th c. remodeling.

RELATED STRUCTURES: (Describe)

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE:

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REFERENCES:

1862 Martenet's Map:

1877 LG & S Atlas:

SURROUNDING ENVIRONMENT:

Open Lane () Woodland () Scattered Buildings ()

Moderately Built Up () Densely-Built Up ()

Residential () Commercial ()

Agricultural () Industrial ()

Roadside Strip Development ()

Other:

RECORDED BY:

Joe Getty

ORGANIZATION:

C.C. Dept. of Planning

DATE RECORDED:

9/84

NW
TOWN

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

GE

EM

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39°37'30"

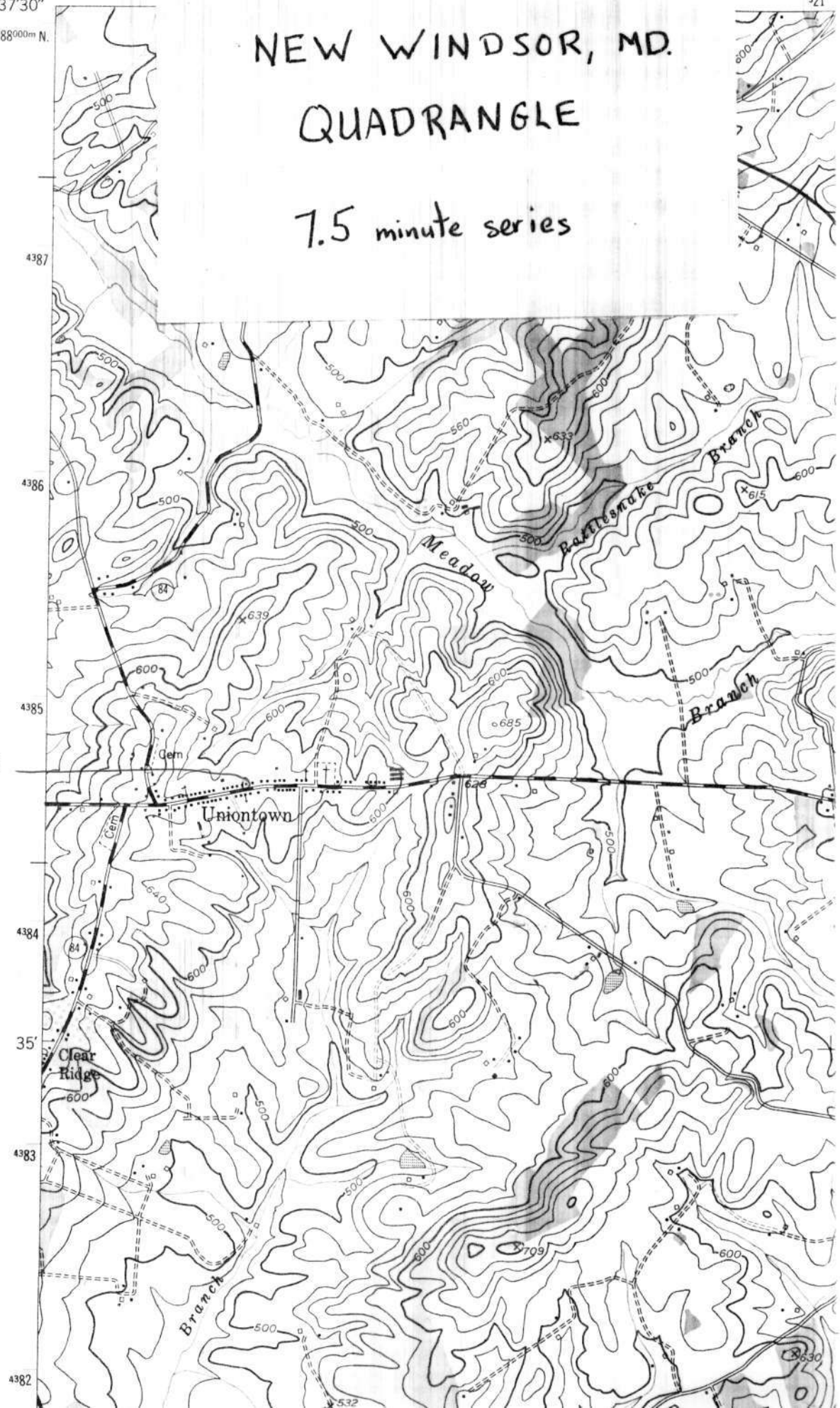
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NEW WINDSOR, MD. QUADRANGLE

7.5 minute series

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Southeast elevation



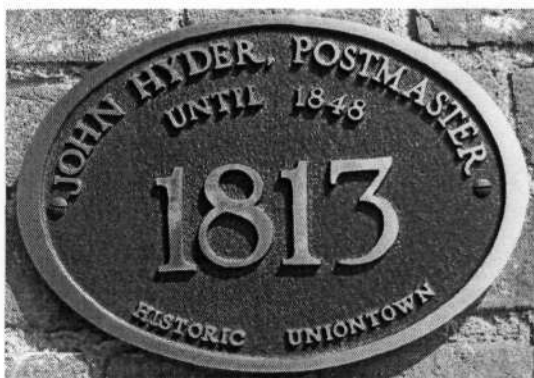
Southwest elevation

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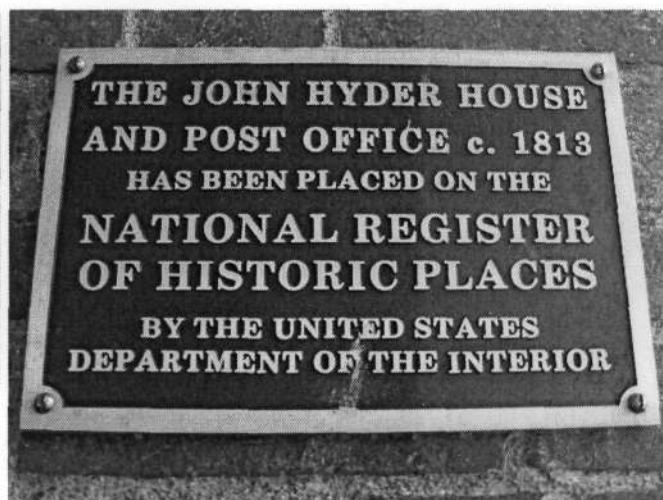
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West facade



Plaques, south facade





1. CARR-208 John Hyder House
2. Carroll County, Maryland
3. Joe Getty
4. November, 1984
5. Maryland Historical Trust, Annapolis, Md.
6. South & West elevation (camera facing
northeast)
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